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LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY )  
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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete the paragraph on page 6, beginning on line 1 and ending on line

13, and replace with the following new paragraph:

FIG. 2, FIG. 3a and FIG. 3b are views showing a first embodiment according to  
the present invention. FIG. 3a and FIG. 3b are respectively sectional views taken along  
line B-B' and line C-C' of the FIG. 2. As shown in these figures, gate and data bus lines

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